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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR A DIPLOMATIC TITLE FOR SOL ROSEN, POL
ENERGY RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION, CC:
SCIENTIFIC REPRESENTATIVE, OECD PARIS.

REF: STATE 298094

1. MISSION BELIEVES FOLLOWING POINTS ARE RELEVANT TO
REQUEST FOR DIPLOMATIC TITLE FOR DR. SOL ROSEN.

DR. ROSEN'S POSITION AS SCIENCE ADVISOR FOR ENERGY IS
FULLY INTEGRATED INTO SCIENCE OFFICE AND MISSION AFFAIRS.
RESPONSIBILITIES ARE IDENTICAL TO FSO IN SIMILAR POSI-
TION.

2. OFFICER FUNCTIONS IN PLACE OF SCIENCE COUNSELOR
DURING HIS ABSENCE AND IS FREQUENTLY CALLED UPON TO
REPRESENT USG AT VARIOUS OECD ACTIVITIES.

3. WIDE SCOPE OF DUTIES REQUIRES CLOSE AND FREQUENT
CONTACT, DISCUSSIONS AND NEGOTIATIONS CONCERNING POLICY
AND TECHNICAL ISSUES WITH OFFICIALS OF OECD SECRETARIAT
AND OTHER COUNTRY DELEGATIONS. DIPLOMATIC TITLE IS HELD
BY ALL ROSEN'S EQUIVALENTS IN OTHER COUNTRY DELEGATIONS.
WITHHOLDING TITLE CAN ADVERSILY AFFECT OFFICER'S WORK
AND PERSONAL STATUS. TITLE WOULD CLEARLY ENHANCE EFFEC-
TIVENESS IN PRESENTING AND DEFENDING USG POSITIONS.

4. OFFICER HELD DIPLOMATIC TITLE IN MOST RECENT FOREIGN
ASSIGNMENT AS SCIENCE ADVISOR AT US MISSION EC. PRESENT
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DUTIES ARE AT LEAST EQUIVALENT BUT ALSO INVOLVE MORE

EXTENSIVE INTERACTION WITH OFFICIALS FROM OTHER COUNTRIES

5. DR. ROSEN IS SENIOR INDIVIDUAL WITH EXTENSIVE INDUSTRIAL AND GOVERNMENTAL EXPERIENCE OF SIGNIFICANT VALUE TO MISSION. OFFICERS JUNIOR TO HIM HOLD DIPLOMATIC TITLES.

6. ALL OFFICERS FROM OTHER GOVERNMENT AGENCIES ASSIGNED TO THIS MISSION HOLD DIPLOMATIC TITLES.

7. MISSION FIRMLY BELIEVES THAT A DIPLOMATIC TITLE IS ESSENTIAL FOR DR. ROSEN TO PERFORM HIS OFFICIAL DUTIES EFFECTIVELY.
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